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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated 17 December 2001, please amend
this application as follows.

In the Claims:

Re-write Claim 1 as follows.

1. (amended) An apparatus for carrying out solid phase microextraction
of target analytes included in a fluid or a solid sample, comprising gas tight
enclosure means for receiving the sample before the enclosure is made gas
tight, means located within the enclosure means for extracting the target
analytes from the sample, and means located outside of the enclosure